GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:426
ANSWERED ON:23.04.2002
PURULIA ARMS DROPPING CASE
C. SREENIVAASAN;M.H. AMBAREESH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of arms and ammunition recovered from Purulia during the Purulia Arms Drop case, arms and ammunition-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that a large number of arms and ammunition has not yet been recovered;

(c) if so, the details and facts thereof;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to recover those arms and ammunition; and

(e) the progress made in arresting the absconding persons required in the case, as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.426 FOR ANSWER ON 23.4 REGARDING PURULIA ARMS DROPPING CASE.

(a)to(d): Details of arms and ammunition recovered/yet to be recovered in the Purulia Arms Drop case, are at Annexure-A Central Bureau of Investigation, which has been entrusted with the investigation of the Purulia arms drop case, has intimated that efforts are being made to recover the missing arms and ammunition with the assistance of State Governments of West Bengal, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh.

(e): According to the information made available by the CBI, there are seven absconding persons who have all been declared `proclaimed offenders` Look Out Notices in respect of these absconding persons have also been issued and widely circulated in all parts of the country. Red Corner Notices in respect of three absconding accused persons, who have fled away from India, have been issued through the Interpol Headquarters, Lyons. Interpol of various countries have been requested to locate these absconders. Efforts are continuing to locate and apprehend all the absconding persons.

Annexure-A

Details of Arms and ammunition recovered/ yet to be recovered

S.No.	ITEM	RECOVERY MADE SO FAR	ACTUALLY DROPPED	YET TO BE RECOVERED
1.	AK-47/56(Kalashnikov)	252	300	48
2.	7.62 Ammunition (50 mm type)	21239 rounds	25,000	3,761
3.	9 mm Pistols	11	25	14
4.	9 mm Ammunition	3,885 rounds	6,000	2,115
5.	Rocket Launchers	10	10	Nil
6.	Booster for Rocket Launcher	69	100	31
7	Dragunov 7.62 Snipper Rifles	2	2	Nil

8. Hand Grenade 65 100 35

9. Anti Tank Grenade 78 100 22